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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	Group Art Unit: 1637
Eric T. KOOL	§	
	§	
Serial No.: 10/604,400	§	Examiner: Teresa E. Strzelecka
	§	
Filed: July 17, 2003	§	
	§	Atty. Dkt. No.: 12665.0024.NPUS01
For: Detection of Chemical Ligation Using	§	
Fluorescence Quenching Leaving Groups	§	
	§	Confirmation No.: 1399

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 18, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 18, 2006.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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